Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—If the member has in mind any particular community, say for example, Kanakkans, Pulayas or Valas, then it may be possible for me to select and find out the number of applications from such people.

Mr. K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas South).*—There is a schedule of the depressed classes.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—It is from that this is prepared.

Now there is a depressed class classification for the purpose of education. There is another classification for the purpose of the Staff Selection Board. This is prepared according to the list of applications received by the Staff Selection Board.

Mr. President.—This evidently includes depressed and backward classes other than those specifically enumerated for the purpose of the staff selection board.

Staff Selection Board — preparation of waiting list.

137. **Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji).*—Will the Government be pleased to give instructions to the Staff Selection Board to prepare waiting lists beforehand for selecting suitable candidates whenever vacancies arise?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—It is not possible to prepare waiting lists beforehand as they may require revision almost every day consequent on the thrown out hands applying for re-entertainment. Up-to-date waiting lists of thrown out hands are prepared just before the meeting of the Staff Selection Board and suitable candidates are selected from those lists.

Staff Selection Board—application for appointment from Sy. M. Muthu.

138. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon** *(Chittur Rural).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) how many S. S. L. C. Girls were newly entertained in service in the Education Department after the institution of the Staff Selection Board;

(2) whether they had a petition for appointment from Sy. M. Muthu from Chittur;

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(3) had she not the additional qualification of having passed the Education Test;

(4) is there not an understanding—nay a standing order—that applicants possessing the test qualification should have preference?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*).—

(1) 16.

(2) Yes.

(3) Yes.

(4) It is laid down in the rules for the working of the Staff Selection Board that "the fact that a candidate has passed departmental tests will be also a factor for consideration in making the selection".

Mr. A. Eachara Menon (*Chittur Rural*).—Why was not this girl given any post till now even though she has passed the test.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*).—In fact so far as the Nayar community is concerned out of the 16 appointments it was possible to give only to one and that candidate was considered to have better claims than this applicant.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon (*Chittur Rural*)—Not because she comes from Chittur.

Staff Selection Board—number, service, etc., of thrown out hands.

139. Mr. A. Narayana Menon (*Vyttila*).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total number of thrown out hands coming under the class of officers to be recruited by the Staff Selection Board; how many of them have put in 5 years of service and above; how many have put in 4 years, 3 years, 2 years and 1 year; how many in the above classes come under the castes prepared for purposes of the Staff Selection Board;

(b) do the claims of thrown out hands according to the period of active service and seniority receive preferential treatment of the Staff Selection Board where new appointments are made?

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